Man Has Over 1 Million Gum Wrappers in Chain
A Canadian man who began a chain of chewing gum wrappers as a child in 1965 has passed the million mark. Gary Dusche's chain of Wrigley's wrappers stretches just over eight miles, equivalent to 29 Empire State Buildings. He began the chain, which now weighs almost 600lbs, as an 11-year-old when schoolmates began making them. "I wanted to have the longest in the class. Then the longest in the school. Then the longest in the area," said Gary. He unsurprisingly holds the record for the world's longest gum wrapper chain. The president of Wrigley's even wrote to him to say: "Very few people have the ability to 'stick' with a project as long as you have." Ontario-born Gary, who now lives with his wife in Virginia, USA, keeps the chain in eight boxes and adds an average of 72 wrappers every day, says the Virginia-Pilot. He has his own website (http://www.gumwrapper.com/) which he uses to encourage people to send their chewing gum wrappers to him.

Australian Women to Dance Naked for Rain
More than 450 Australian women are to dance naked to try to make it rain. The rain dance will be performed in drought-stricken Ouyen, north-west Victoria, reports ABC News Online. It was organised by local women after they found out a similar attempt was followed by rain in Nepal. The women will be taken by bus to a secret location where they will strip off and dance, with locals manning the boundaries of the paddock to keep peeping Tom's away. Organiser Helen Healy says last week's rain was probably caused by women practicing. "Some of the women have been practicing and we asked them to stop but they got a really good drenching down in Ouyen, and although it couldn't by any means be called a drought breaker it was really welcome," she said.

Robot Bird vs Seagulls Round One Goes to the Gulls
An Aberdeenshire seaside town is rethinking a plan to use robots to deter seagulls, after the seabirds ganged up on their fibreglass foes. Environmental officers strategically placed robot peregrine falcons around Fraserburgh, expecting the seagulls to look elsewhere for a perch. Each robot - or Robop (Robot Bird of Prey) - can be programmed to perform a menacing repertoire of wing flaps, head turns, and calls. But the town's environmental officers found that far from being scared, the gulls congregated together to see off the threat. Colin Campbell, the council's environmental health manager, conceded the three-week trial had ended with "a partial victory for the stubborn sea birds". He told The Herald: "The robotic falcons had a few teething problems when they were on test with us, some of which were weather-related and others down to the experimental nature of the product. However, it seems that the main problem was the sheer volume of gulls that the Robops faced." Mr Campbell added a number of ploys had been tried, including moving the robotic birds regularly, but that hadn't resolved the problem. He told the paper the search for a solution goes on.

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Bobby Sue’s Country Music Lyrics of the Week
The trailblazers of country music urge all of us to learn from their mistakes. Have a safe and sane Spring Break, Leverett.

I'd rather have a bottle in front of me than a frontal lobotomy.

How can whiskey 6 years old whip a man that's 22?

What made Milwaukee famous made a loser out of me.

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(Perhaps a recipe suggestion?)
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French Table
The Leverett French Table meets every Tuesday from 6:30-7:30pm in the Dining Hall (NE corner). French speakers of all levels are welcome!

Is the experience of being a woman in Congress really different than that of a man? What has changed over their years? What does the future look like?

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Rose: My cousin Ingmar was different. He used to do bird imitations.
Blanche: What’s wrong with that? Rose: Well, let’s just say, you didn’t want to park your car under their oak tree.

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Stan: Don’t you see? The last time Ted went to Acapulco he got married!
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FROMM PLAYERS AT HARVARD
Featuring the Boston Modern Orchestra Project, Gil Rose, conductor
Friday, March 21, 2003
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Music by the Elliot Norton Professors and Mario Davidovsky.
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Belgian Has 9 Ops to Look Like Jackson
A Belgian man is about to have the last of nine operations which he hopes will make him look like Michael Jackson. Emmanuel De Reyghere, 30, will have his nose reconstructed to make it look just like Jackson’s. Mr De Reyghere, from Zuienkerke, said: “It’s the last surgery I need. The doctor will break my nose and rasp it to get a bone structure. Then my nose will be the same as Michael Jackson’s. It’ll be perfect.” Mr De Reyghere told Het Laatste Nieuws that he has few friends, and his girlfriend left him four years ago. He said: “Some people spend their money on golf. I just spend all my money on making my face look like him. People recognise me. Two minutes after I walked into a pub, the owner put on a record of Michael Jackson. It’s the biggest reward I can get. I’m very pleased with the body I have now.”

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